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#### THE COMMON GROUND.

There should not be any doubt that the nocratic leaders in the house will find on ground" upon which to stand in relation to the surplus.

The surplus must be stopped, not spentthat is surely the position for all Democrats. In agreeing upon a measure of tax reduction, all factions and interests should be willing to yield something. No "jug-handle compromise"-all on one side-is either just or possible.

The common ground is, therefore, one of fair compromise. The leader who should reject this would be responsible for a handicap to his party next year that might defeat it in the Presidential race.

#### POWDERLY ON THE REVOLT.

While not wishing to interfere or take sides in a family quarrel, we feel free to commend to the careful consideration of all Knights of Labor the frank, manly and reasonable nents of Mr. PowdenLy, touching the revolt in the order, in his elaborate interview in THE WORLD this morning.

The history of labor organizations shows that most of their failures have been caused by dissensions in their own ranks. The lack of level-headed leadership, harmoniously supported, has been the rock upon which they have split.

It is undoubtedly true that Mr. POWDEALY has done much to commend the Knights to the confidence of the public. His efforts in weeding out Anarchism and Socialism, and in marking out a safe and conservative policy. have contributed largely to the welfare of

The Knights should remember that good leadership is a very rare quality.

## REPORM BY INCHES

Under the stress of public and official displeasure, evoked by the World's exposure of the Castle Garden abuses, the Commissioners are reported to have decided to sell the privileges of the Garden to the highest bidder, with the stipulation that immigrants be fairly served at reasonable rates.

This would mitigate the evils of the bag gage and restaurant rings, as some of the other changes have lessened other abuses. But this policy of a reluctant and halting reform is too much like cutting off a dog's tail

The best way to reform the Garden management is to bounce the Satraps.

## ROBBERY, NOT PROTECTION.

There is no question of "protection or free trade" before Congress.

No one has proposed a reduction of the average duty below the rate fixed in the protective tariff of 1862. The Monamon bill of last winter would not have exceeded the 20 per cent, reduction promised but not accorded by the Republicans in 1883.

More than 30 per cent. of the present tariff is composed of war taxes, put on as "compensating duties" for internal revenue taxes long since repealed. Mr. Monning, the sponsor of the present system, said in Congress as long ago as 1870, that this increase should not be retained as "the lawful prize of pro-

It is not protection but robbery that is re

## THE REGULATION REGULATES.

The first report of the Interstate Com. merce Commission furnishes ample justification for the law which created it.

The operation of the law has been in general beneficial. The abolition of the free fare system has enabled the roads in several ses to reduce fares, thus giving to the public a share of the benefit formerly enjoyed by the favored few.

The prohibition of rebates and specia rates has tended to stimulate freight traffic by restoring competition and inducing stability in charges. Rates have been reduced, and still the roads have prospered,

mission suggests the stre ing of the law in some particulars, and its

It is a good thing all around for the servants of the people to learn that their master has

OH, CUT IT DOWN. Dear Mr. President, do not send out pessage of 22,000 words

This a busy time of the year for a busy seople. Not over ten in a million of the population will read anybody's message if it is so long as that.

We know that it takes time to be brief. But the briefness is worth the cost. Let the blue pencil put in its work of elimination and

Boil it down.

#### THE NEW BENATORS.

"Fighting the devil with fire" is not dways an agreeable but is sometimes a nec-

If the Republican Senators propose to try and strengthen their scant majority in the Senate by keeping out Mr. Tunpin, the new Democratic Senator from Indiana, they cannot logically blame the Democratic Senators for interposing an objection to the swearing in of one of their new members.

Ms. Tuspre brings to the Senate as complete credentials as any Senator-elect can show. He is entitled to admission. A Senate that would not investigate the election of MR. PATHE will simply , exhibit partisan spleen in objecting to Ms. Tunpir.

#### PAY THEM BETTER.

There is no improvement in the service of ourses and attendants in the Blackwell's Island asylums, according to Dr. MACDONALD, the Superintendent. He says, indeed, that it is worse than formerly.

The cause? Well, expert nurses and efficient attendants are not to be had for the niggardly salaries heretofore paid.

The remedy? Pay decent salaries and get lecent service. The city can afford to be liberal to its poor, helpless and insane. Starve out the boodlers, but provide gener-

#### ously for the city's wards. HANDS OFF THE SCHOOLS.

It is stated that the Brooklyn Board of Edneation is about to discharge Miss Monnis, a teacher in the public schools, in defiance of the general sentiment that she should be retained.

This is a case of more than ordinary interest and importance, for it means the interference of politicians in school management. Miss Monnis has had a long and porable record as a teacher, and has reseived the unqualified indorsement of many successive school superintendents.

The people of Brooklyn should make an issue in this case. Let the politicians keep their hands off the schools. Establish a precedent that will teach the "heelers" a lesson of discretion.

Politics and schools don't mix.

## HUNGRY POR DIAMONDS.

A crabbed old bank president of Worcester, Mass., worth half a million, has allowed his pretty wife to go hungry. For what? Well, for diamonds, as she herself testifies in court with tear-bedimmed eyes.

Now, it is the duty of a husband to provide his wife with the necessities of life. The word "necessities" is very elastic, and readily stretches in proportion to one's bank account. To a wealthy man's pretty wife, who has no diamonds but wants them drefully," what can be more of a neces-

Besides the Worcester wife puts in a claim for an encyclopædia. She has evidently been well as allowed to almost starve for want of diamonds. We have our opinion of that Worcester bank president.

"There isn't much to do." says Police Capt. RYAN, touching the outrageous robbery of Miss Torrence in the Thirty-fourth street bobtail car. You're wrong, Captain. There is a good deal to do. In the first place, let the police wake up. Then let them overhaul this highway robber. The Dick Turpins are having things their own way alogether too much in this town.

Congressman REED bucks his big head against the stone wall of hard facts when he says that a reduction of duties inevitably produces an increase of revenue. Every tariff reduction made since the close of the war has been followed by a reduction in revenue.

Justice in this vicinity is getting to be high fantastical" of late. Yesterday the case of a man, who was safely ensconced in Montreal, was tried with due solemnity. It is fortunate for the dignity of justice that he vas not convicted.

Mr. POWDERLY "does not object to JAY Gould or anybody else having a telegraph line," but "does object to their having the only one." The people who sympathize with this idea are increasing in number.

A cycle of vitriol-throwing appears to have arrived. The immersion of the hand of the thrower in her own chosen liquid, as a punshment for this diabolic crime, would perhaps tend to lessen its frequency.

Comptroller Loxw says that the plans of the proposed buildings in the City Hall Park may yet be changed, so as to save as much of the scanty sward as possible. That Grand Jury did not speak in vain.

The Manhattan managers are arranging mother bond hocus pocus. They expect to nerease their indebtedness about \$2,500,000 by the transaction. The faucet is running freely.

The officers of the Cattle Feeders' Trust de cline to lisp a word about their scheme. Of course. All of these rank monopolistic growths are naturally fond of the dark.

If Hercules is out of a job, let him apply in Boston. An organization is forming there to "purify the politics of the city." The stable is believed to be truly Augenn."

## SOCIETY AFFAIRS OF NOTE.

THE FIRST BALL OF THE SEASON TO OCCUR ON MONDAY EVENING.

Will be Given by Mrs. A. Newbold Marri to Introduce Her Young Daughter-Th Whole of Delmonico's Engaged for the tion for Her Daughter To-Day.



HEN Monday evening comes it will bring with it the first ball of the season, which will be given by Mrs. A. East Sixty-fourth street, to introduce her young daughter, Miss Morris. The whole of Delmonico's technology engaged for has been engaged for the occasion. Klunder

decorations, which will be on a scale of unusual magnificence. Many of the flowers to be used are now on

their way from the South. Mrs. Morris will not be assisted in receiv ing. She will wear a red velvet gown, with ong train, and diamond ornaments. Miss Morris will wear white tulle over French faile, very simply made. There were 1,300 invitations sent out. The ball will be general, including a number of elderly as well as

invitations sent out. The ball will be general, including a number of elderly as well as the more youthful guests. Mr. Henry A. Coster will lead the german, Miss Morris being his partner. The favors will be principally flowers. Among the invited guests who are expected to attend are the following named persons:

Mrs. William Astor, Mr. John Jacob Astor, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Blevens, Mrs. Coleman Drayton, Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Clarkson, Mr. and Mrs. Name Borrowe, Mr. and Mrs. Name Borrowe, Mr. and Mrs. Name Borrowe, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Borrowe, the Misses Borrowe, Mr. Borrowe, the Misses Clarkson, Mr. and Mrs. Gonew Ullson, Mrs. A. A. Bibby, Mr. and Mrs. Come Wilson, Mrs. A. A. Bibby, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Goelet, Mr. Montgomery H. Clarkson, Mr. and Mrs. George Schermerhora, Miss Schermerhorn, Mr. and Mrs. Gouverneur Morris, Miss Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Gonverneur Morris, Miss Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Gonverneur Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Golverneur Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Golverneur Morris, Miss Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Golverneur Morris, Miss Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Golverneur Morris, Mr. and Mrs. N. Pendleton Rogers, Mr. Edward Livingston, he Misses Livingston, Mr. and Mrs. N. Pendleton Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Neberman Depeyster, Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Barclay, Mr. and Mrs. Goorge Jones, Mr. Delancey Kane, Dr. and Mrs. George Jones, Mr. Delancey Kane, Dr. and Mrs. George Jones, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Schermerborn, Mr. W. Rutherfurd, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Schermerborn, Mr. W. Rutherfurd, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Schermerborn, Mr. W. Rutherfurd, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Schermerborn, Mr. W. Rutherfurd, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Schermerborn, Mr. W. Ru

Mrs. Frederick W. Foote, of 47 West Nineteenth street, will give a reception this afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock, to introduce her third daughter, Miss Florence Foote, Miss Isabel Foote will assist her mother in

Miss Isabel Foote will assist her mother in receiving. Among the guests expected are the following named persons:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coolidge Haight, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wetmore Cryder, Miss Cryder, Mr. Wm. E. Montgomery, Mr. E. Walker, Gov. and Mrs. Green, Mr. Wilson G. Hunt, Miss Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Randall, Mrs. Charles Lamson, the Misses Lamson, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Thurber, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Day, Miss Day, the Rev. and Mrs. Morgan Dix, Miss Dix, ex-Gov. and Mrs. J. T. Hoffman, Mr. Dudley H. Gaulier, the Rev. and Mrs. Henry Y. Batterlee, the Misses Hamilton, Mr. Robert C. Lowery, Mrs. Edward A. Bibby, Mr. A. A. Bibby, Dean and Mrs. Hoffman, Mr. William Calhoun, Mr. and Mrs. George B. Satterlee, Mr. Edward Hunt, Mr. James Cushman, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Lord, jr., and Dr. and Mrs. Austin Filit.

Mrs. J. A. Bostwick, of 800 Fifth avenue,

Mrs. J. A. Bostwick, of 800 Fifth avenue, gave a dinner last evening. Twenty were gave a diffuse fast evening. I wenty were seated.

Mrs. Russak, of 19 East Sixty-fifth street, will give a theatre party, followed by a sup-per, on the evening of Dec. 12.

Gov. and Mrs. Green, of New Jersey, will

give two large receptions on Thursday after-noons, Dec. 8 and 15.

Mrs. Reynolds, of 48 East Seventy-third street, will give a dance on Wednesday

street, will give a dance on wednesday evening, Dec. 14.

The Rev. and Mrs. Philip A. H. Brown will give a reception on Thursday, Dec. 8, to introduce Miss Carter at their home, 6 East Twelfth street. Twelfth street.

The Baroness de Wardener, of 3 Rutherfurd place, will receive on Thursdays in
December.

Mrs. Philip J. Sands, of 15 East Thirtythird street, will entertain the Friday Evening Dancing Class at its next meeting on
Dec. 9.

Mrs. Charles Parsons, jr., of 72 West

Mrs. Charles Parsons, jr., of 72 West Forty-fifth street, gave a dinner last evening

Forty-fifth street, gave a to sixteen guests.

The engagement of Miss Ellen Stuart Tappan, daughter of Mr. T. D. Tappan, President of the Gallatin National Bank, and Mr. Isnac E. Adams, a lawyer, of Chicago, is announced. Miss Tappan is a sister of Mrs. Jeonge I. Seney.
The tea given by Mrs. Satterthwaite, of 173 Second avenue, this afternoon, is to intro-duce her youngest daughter to society. The first of the series of dances to take place this winter at Remsen Hall, Brooklyn,

place this winter at Remsen Hall, Brooklyn, will be on Dec, 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Sutro, of 292 Fifth avenue, gave a musicale at their home on Thursday evening.

Mrs. E. L. Milhan, Mrs. John F. Dillon, Mrs. C. A. Doremus, Mrs. Sidney G. Hartshovne, Mrs. Frank Drisler, Mrs. J. A. Booth, Mrs. L. Johnston. Mrs. C. B. Aitken, Mrs. Theron G. Strong, Mrs. John H. Kemp and Mrs. Julian Hawthorne are a few of the many patronesses of the ball to be given on Tuesday evening next at the Metropolitan Opera. House. It will be given by the members and graduates of the Columbia College Chapter of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox will write about the calousies of women in the SUNDAY WORLD.

## Piling on the Messages.

[From Barper's Baser.] In the grand rush for precedence "hired help! seem to be coming bravely to the front. Only a few months ago one of those happy gentlemen who own and pass the summer at a country place of their own had occasion to send, in rapid suc-cession, the following messages to the local M.D.; (1.) Wife not feeling well—come round this Mermoon."
(2.) "Baby ill—come this morning."
(3.) "Cook given out—come as soon as you can

## Lerillard's Hunting Dogs.

Mr. Pierre Lorillard, of New York, who has his dogs in training in Green Cove for active ser-vice this winter, will be pleased to learn that his pointers give promise of secoming remarkably fine hunters. Powell Jenkins, who has the logs in keeping, was out with them during the week and bagged thirty-six quads, which they "spotted" to perfection.

[From Town Topics.]
\*\* Here, sir, are my coupons!" said a gentleman on the middle siste of the Star Theatre just as the urtain went up on the first scene of . . Faust " last uesday night.

"Great heavens, Harry!" exclaimed a hand-omely dressed lady with the gentieman spoken to, this person mistakes you for an usher."

The Result in Atlanta.

Waterloo. President Cleveland, was hore, be, said;

YOUR VALUE WHEN YOU'RE KILLED. Bill Nye Favore a Sliding Scale for Fletim

of Railroad Accidents. Statistician, Long Island, asks what has been done by the railroad in the matter of settlemen with relatives and representatives of those who

The average price paid for those who were killed was \$2,000, according to a recent statement. This will be used as a basis for future estimates, and it is a good thing to know at just what price a huma life is held. The figures on milch cows and domestic animals have been settled for some time, but it has always been a question more or less open to discussion who should establish the value of a human being. The Chatsworth horror seems to have been in this way, blessing in disguise for it establishes a precedent by which a wife knows to within a few cents what sum will be refunded to her in case her husband should be returned to her in a dead state by a railroad company, with the terse remark that while he may have been possessed of some merit, he is not available for its columns.

Railroads are also enabled through this ruling to

know, by a careful calculation, about what a rickety bridge or drunken employee may cost the company in a year, and the passenger himself is afforded much comfort when he takes a train by knowing that he can broll himself over a car is preparing the floral stove till life is extinct, and, in case a jury holds that the accident was not due to his own negl gence, his widow will get \$2,000 in crisp currency, esides what is left of his own crisp remains.

Still, I would favor a sliding scale. I would hold that the widow of a good provider ought to get more by identifying the body of her husband than a woman who points out the rosst pork which marks the spot where her husband was trying hold four seats and put his feet on two more at the time of his death. The man who reluctantly tears of regret on the lashes of his little ones when he goes, ought to be worth more than the man who only goes home to get his clothes laundried. But in talking about the price paid by a railros

for the death of a passenger, we forget that the loss of the money is not the only thing that haunts the railway afterwards. Think of the sleepless nights that a railroad must pass, tossing victims! (There is where it pays the awful penalty of its rash acts. Who would be a wealthy railroad with sleek, blooded rolling stock and good connections and strong social ties, but with the of innocent people on its dividends ? Those who are prone to envy a prosperous trunk line, with a fringe of telegraph poles on both sides, should remember that it may have a skeleton in its waiting-room which robs it of all man, riding on a clergyman's half-fare permit, and knowing that in case of secident my widow could present her second hus band with a dowry of \$2,000, than to be a sincursed Air Line ballasted with the busted hopes of my shareholders and bones of my desiccated pa-BILL NYE.

#### WORLDLINGS.

Philadelphia eats forty-four tons of pie every day

The United States coutains, in round numbers nearly 300, 000 Indians. Col. James S. Hoyt, of Laconia, N. H., who is ninety-four years old, shingled the roof of his

house the other day, and did not think much of the August Shields, of Hunt County, Tex., is 7 feet to inches tall and is still growing. He is twenty-

Anderson Burrell, a planter living near Montgomery, Ala., is the father of thirty-one children and the grandfather of sixty. He is seventy-one years old and has been married four times.

bachelor in the United States. His fortune of \$20,000,000 was made in the dry-goods trade and yields him an annual income of a million and.a Nearly \$500,000 in deposits is lying unclaimed in the savings banks of Boston. It belongs to 367 un-

Isaiah Williamson, of Philadelphia, is the richest

known depositors, not one of whom has put in an appearance at this bank for more than twenty Sawyer" as he is familiarly known—has a fortune of \$4,000,000, which was made by judicious invest-

ments in cheap pine lands. He began life as a woodchopper in Wisconsin in 1847. The railroad managers in Texas evidently took during the great strike, for since the time of its occurrence nearly all the brakemen on the roads

marshals. The richest man in Alabama, Josiah Morris owe the greater part of his fortune to the rapid appreon of land values in Birmingham. Sto the Elyton Land Company, for which he paid \$100 a share brought him \$4,000 a share when he dis-

osed of it.

A. B. Douglas, a Maine hunter, recently on Spence's River, near the Canadian line, the biggest moose ever seen in the State. It sto hands high, had a girth of 9 feet, and when ose to the toe tips.

Col. Mynatt's mother, living at Pine Log, Ga., startled the family the other evening by crying ou suddenly : " Poor Susan is dead; she's gone to her rest." The lady referred to was living in Texas, and had not been seen by the family for years. A few days later the mail brought news of her death, which had occurred suddenly at the very time at which Mrs. Maynatt had cried out.

## Gen. Sheridan is at the Fifth avenue

Senator Mitchell still lingers at the Hoffman Col. James Forney, United States Marines, is at the Oriental. T. D. Griffin, of the U. S. S. Galena, has a room at the Gilsey.

Judge George F. Comstock is a recent arrival at the Windsor. At the Barrett is E. D. Mier, the boiler manufacturer of St. Louis. Paymaster Chas. F. Guild, of the Navy, reached the St. James last night.

A. Newton Locke, an insurance adjuster, of Glens Falls, is at the Murray Hill. Lieut.-Gov. James L. Howard, of Connecticut, is registered at the Murray Hill. Lieut. W. H. Comn and Capt. Eugene Griffin, U.S.A., are booked at the Grand. Capt. Benjamin Thompson, U.S.A., of Boston, arrived at the Park Avenue to-day. Leopoid Morse, of Boston, is stopping for a day at the Windsor before going to Washington.

The Sturtevant shelters Burdette Loomis, Hartford and Capt. M. J. Patrick, of the Army. Secretary of State Frederick Cook returned from Washington last night and registered at the Murray Hill Hotel. Lieut. Walkinshaw, U. S. A., and Capt. H. K. Gilman, U. S. Marines, are "off duty" at the

C. H. Jackson, of the Westinghouse Alr-Brake Company, and E. D. Levitt, Jr., a well-known Cambridge engineer, is staying at the Windsor. J. M. Toucey, of the New York Central Rail-road; F. H. Prince, of Boaton, and H. A. Rust, a Chicago contractor, are among the recent arrivals at the Windsor. at the W.Horsor.

Staying as the Bartholdi are John Dick, a prominent oil man of Mead-tile; W. E. Flenning, a wealthy Groton increasant, and W. L. Titsworth, one of Hartford's many insurance men.

Major James Hargerty was considerably better resterday, and the attending physicians gave the family considerable encouragement as to his re-covery. He was not so well this morning when a WonLD reporter called at the house. A member of the family said that the change was noticeable, as on yesterday he was better than a say time

## EVENTS AT THE THEATRES.

ARRANGEMENTS MAKING FOR ANOTHER REASON OF "RHE."

Lineage Coming Here-Miss Coghlan Wants to be a Star-Panny Davesport to Tosca "-Too Much Success in Texas.



ONTENTED with the success of "She" at Niblo's Garden up to the present time, the management held a management held a consultation yesterday with the object for ar-ranging for a return engagement of this production. Messrs. Gilmore & Tompkins the Academy of Music, have made an offer of late this season, for a continuous run. The sale of seats for the present engagement

runs into the latter part of next week, and many theatre parties have sent in applications. A number of changes have been made in the production so that it now runs smoothly, and closes at 10.45. The introduction of the comedy part of Martin Brown, by Gillette, seems to be looked upon as a happy idea. It is said that the manuscript and models of this production of "She" will be sent to London, where there is some talk of giving the dramatization at the Olympic Theatre.

We are shortly to be favored by the advent of a lady who will probably appeal to the gullibility of the duke-loving, lord-adoring anglomaniacs in this city for recognition on the ground that she has a pedigree. Mrs. E. V. Churchill-Jodrell is to visit America under Harry Sargent's management with Dion Boucicault's "Forbidden Fruit" as a medium. Now, if any one in a rash moment feels inclined to declare that he has never heard of Mrs. Churchill-Jodrell let him beware lest he err grievously. Mrs. Jodrell claims to be the cousin of Lord Randolph Churchill and the Duke of Marlborough. Here is what an English authority says of her;

her;
The lady's ancestry dates back to the days of William the Conqueror, in whose train Bishop Repps, the first Bishop of Norwich, came to England. The earliest ancestor of the family name who appears in history was Peter Jodrell, who owned lands in the Peak of Derbyshire district in 1988. Mrs. Jodrell's grandfather, Sir Richard Paul Jodrell, the second baronet, was Lord Lieuteaant of Norfolk, and her grandmother was a daughter of the Earl of Kingston. Her uncle was Sir Edward Repps Jodrell. Naturally, with so many distinguished ancestors. Mrs. Churchil-Jodrell is hereas to great estates; the Jodrell entail being in the female line—a quite exceptional circumstance.

Goodness gracious! and likewise gracious. Goodness gracious! and, likewise, graciou

Miss Rose Coghlan is a restless spirit. She is now reported to be arranging for a starring season, commencing at Presidential election period. Miss Coghlan, it will be remembered, starred a year ago, but was tempted to Wallack's by an offer of \$400 a week, it is said—for the benefit of those who love figures. Her starring season was attended with considerable success, which, although not quite financiall satisfactory, gave promise of good results in the near future. Miss Coghlan wants to appear in a play written by her brother, Charles Coghlan. In fact she has a new ambition each week, and is never satisfied. She has made a great hit as Stephanie de Mohrivart in "Forget-Me-Not." Miss Rose Coghlan is a restless spirit. She

No people on the face of this earth get what are slangily and not prettily called "swelled heads" so quickly as actors. Here is an instance. It was thought that the character of the spv in "Held by the Enemy" would prove extremely popular in the South, and it did. In Dallas, Tex. the other night, the young man who played the part was carried through the streets, after the performance. He was so elated by this expression of admiration that he wrote to New York asking for a "raise" in his salary, with the terrible threat that unleas he got it he would leave the company. He has left the company, and a substitute was sent from here Thursday night.

When the new French and Sanger Theatre s opened, an event which it is thought will place in February, take place in February. La Tosca." Sar-dou's latest play, will be produced, with Miss Fanny Davenport as the heroine. Mr. Price, Miss Davenport's managerial husband, is now on his way to Paris to see the play there and make final arrangements. Following "La Tosca," "The Bells of Haslemere" will be produced at the new theatre.

"A run of Luck" will be given at Niblo's at a Christmas matinée, Monday, Dec. 26. In this drama there will be a racing scene with real thoroughbreds, real horses, an English hunting scene with pack of real hounds. The drama has just been given in Boston, but was not conspicuously successful there.

The Sunday WORLD will print a complete decription of gambling life in New York, with ketches from a well-known establishment.

## KILRAIN'S SECOND SAILS.

Sped with Flowers and Cheers on His Way to the Coming Prize Fight.

The Cunard pier was the scene of unusua activity this morning from a sporting standpoint. The three particular passengers who caused it were Charley Johnson, of Brooklyn, the American sec. and of Jake Kilrain, James Wakeley and Phil.'p Lynch. They were on their way to attend the fight between Jake Kilrain and Jem Smit.

Kilrain and Jem Smit. The main saloon of the Servia was filled by their friends. Upon the centre table were by their friends. Upon the centre table were flowers, conspicuous among which was a horseshoe made of red, white and yellow roses. A card, bearing the following inscription: "Bring home 'Jake' c'uampion of the world, to Charley Johnson, the American second of Jake Kilrain; compliments of Richard K. Fox."

Cheer after cheer followed the men as the boat swaper from the dock, and they waved

Cheer after cheer followed the men as the boat swung from the dock, and they waved their hands and hats bidding their friends adieu. Among those on the pier were Mrs. James Wakeley and her mother, Mrs. Cliggete, accompanied by Mr. Wakeley's mother; Mrs. Philip Lynch and nieces, Senator-elect Van Cott, Supervisor Connolly, Frank Stevenson, Frank H. Carroll, John Wakeley, Billy Wakeley, Pete Lynch, Jack McDonough, Billy Henderson, Johnny Ryan and Henry Rice. Rvan and Henry Rice

A Chinese Puzzle. Policeman O'Brien early this morning heard two pistol spots fired in 11 Pell street. He rushed up and found May Wo Lee running about excitedly, and another Chinaman, Ah Wan, very much frighteaed. One bullet-hole was seen in the wall and another in the ceiling. Both Chinamen were taken to the Essex Market Police Court this morn-ing, and May Wo Lee was held for examination on a charge of firing the shots. The prisoner wears a handsome diamond ring on his finger.

Judge Rapallo Getting Better. within the past few days. The attending physician said this morning that we left the Judge last night

Why it Was There. [Pros the Burlington Pres Press.]
Table Boarder-Walter, there's a hair in Witter, cheerfully—Yes, sir; its a rabbit stempt 1. SIXTY CENTS OR THREE MONTHS.

How a Little Stubborn Ugliness Cost a Ma Ninety Days' Liberty. The occasional caller at either of the city police courts finds there much to ponde

upon-happenings which have been duplicated so many times that even the reporters ever alert and alive for anything interesting fail to appreciate their oddity. This morning, in the middle of a long line of persons at the Tombs was a beetle-browed

man, forty-five years of age, with a stubble of beard all over his face. He wore a blouse

of beard all over his face. He wore a blouse and overalls and carried an old slouch hat. His turn came at length.

"Now, my man, what's the matter with you and your wife?" asked Justice Kilbreth, briskly, scanning the indictment hurriedly.

"She says you have been beating her, have been half drunk for two weeks and have not provided for her and the children. Is that so?"

The prisoner was sullenly silent and looked at the Justice defiantly from under his big brows. A woman, whose hair was unkempt and whose shoulders were covered by a faded and torn green plaid shawl, was being shoved

and whose shoulders were covered by a faded and torn green plaid shawl, was being shoved to the front by a policeman. She finally reached the top step at the corner of Justice's throne, and she said, half sobbing: "It's too true, Your Honor. He has done nothing but ill for a month. It's the drink, though. He's as good a man as any woman could wish when he's himself, but I can't earn money for us all when he spends it for drink. He's got some money that he got for last week's three days' work, though."

"How much money have you?" sternly demanded Justice Kilbreth.

"Sixty cents," responded the prisoner, doggedly.

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"I want it, John," chimed in the wife, for

which she got only an ugly scowl from her husband.
"Will you give it to her?" asked the Justice after a moment's thought, in a soft but significant and threatening tone.
"No, I won't, and that's all there is of it,"

"No, I won't, and that's all there is of it," said the prisoner, testily.

"Three months on the island," said the Court, laconically, tossing the papers to the Clerk, while "John" was hustled to the cage and the wife found her way out of court, sobbing as if her heart would break.

"If that loafer had shown any symptoms of repentance, and had given that 60 cents to his wife, I'd have let him off with a warning," muttered the Justice as he scanned the papers in the next case.

Afterwards he said: "We have scores of cases like that. If I had told the wife in advance what I was going to do she would have gone on her knees to plead for that vagabond's liberty."

#### CAPT. ROBBINS'S RETIREMENT.

and is put in a hole by a subordinate in an effort to screen his own shortcomings it is time to get out. I don't propose to go through the form of a public trial at this late day, and, while confident of winning the case, I had rather be retired than to stand the worry of trial. I have only myself, wife and a grandchild to provide for, and the \$1,000 a year pension will keep us. I must be a pretty poor specimen of a man if I don't kneck out at least \$500 more a year."

It is said that when the application for retirement was before the Board yesterday, Gen. Fitz John Porter opposed it on the ground that Capt. Robbins should first be tried on the charges of neglect of duty.

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President French favored granting the application, and said with much feeling:

"This man has spent thirty five years of his life in the police service, and is within a month of his sixtieth year, when under the law he must be retired. I hope the general will withdraw his opposition and let the old man go out of the department in good order and in comparative peace."

Then the application was granted, Gen. Porter alone voting against it.

GOOD THINGS IN THE MARKET. iome Prices at Which To-Morrow's Dinner May be Purchased.

The Washington and Fulton Market nonl. erers were busy working off their extra stock of fowls to-day. Fine turkeys were offered at 10 to 15 cents, ducks at 14 to 16, chickens at 12 to 14 and fowls at 10 to 12 cents. Game partridge, \$1.12 a brace; grouse, \$1.25; prairie hens, \$1.50; canvas-backs, \$6, and red heads, \$2.50 a brace. Rabbits sold at 50 cents a pair, squirrels at 25 cents and squabs at \$3 to \$4 a dozen. Venison brings 20 to 25

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In the fish market cod brings 8 cents a pound, haddock 8, halibut, 18 to 20, striped bass 15 to 25, salmon (frozen) 30, flounders 8, fresh mackerel 15, smelts 18 to 20, red snapper 12 to 20, blusfish 12 to 15, salmon trout 15, pickerel 8 and black bass 12.

Vegetables are unchanged in prices. Cauliflowers bring 15 to 25 cents, celery 15, lettuce 6, sweet potatoes 25 cents a half peck, turnips 10 cents a measure, parsnips 10, cabbage 10, cranberries 10 cents a quart, egg plants 30 cents, watercress 10 cents a quart. In the meat market prime rib roasts can be bought for 18 to 20 cents, porterhouse steak

bought for 18 to 20 cents, porterhouse steak 22 to 25, sirloin 16 to 20, lamb hindquarters 14 to 16, pork tenderloin 18 to 20, veal cutlets 28, chops 16 to 24 cents. Fruit is abundant and cheap.

Disappearance of a Maker of Wooden Heels John Talles is a Frenchman who makes wooden heels for ladies' slippers, and his wife disposes of them and looks after business generally at box of an office on the third floor of 78 Warren box of an office on the third floor of 78 Warren street. Thursday John left his better half at the store about 9 o'clock to go to Woodbridge, N. J., where they live and where John makes the heels. He said he would return for her at 4 P. M. Mrs. Talles waited until 6, but her humband did not appear. He has not come yet, and his wife has enlisted the services of the police in a search for him. They are comportably off and have been married eighteen years. Mrs. Talles is a silm, dark woman forty-four years old. The humband is rather stout, like an Italian, and not particularly good-looking. They occasionally quarrel a little.

Lectures on " Christ on Calvary." The descriptive lectures on Munkacsy's pai ing " Christ on Calvary," at the Twenty-third street Tabernacie for this week will be delivered as follows: Daily at 3 and 8 o'clock P. M., except on Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays, when they will be given every hour in the afternoon and at 8 and 9 in the evening. The Rev. Dr. Geo. L. Hunt's lecture is descriptive of the painting. Prof. Dr. Baralt treats it from an artistic and philosophical standpoint and the Rev. S. T. Graham speaks of its religious influence.

A Big Jam at the Normal Fair. There was the biggest sort of a crowd at the Normal College Alumnæ's fair at the Hotel Brunswick last evening. The rooms were so iammed with people that not even standing room was to be had. People on the stairs leading to the entrance could not set in unit some of those inside passed out. The success of the fair practically gives assured to the could not will cover the Normal College will get its library. The fair will close this evening.

Proposing an Organ for United Labor. The leaders of the United Labor party are al ready making plans for the campaign of 1888. They have called a meeting to be held by two dele-gates from each Assembly District, and to be held on Jan. 6, at 1428 Third avenue, to consider the advisability of starting a new labor daily news-

The annual election of the Young Men's Demo-cratic Club will take place in Parior E of the Hoffman House next Monday between 4 and 9 o'clock.
Frederick R. Coudert is the candidate for Presi-

COAL PEDDLERS COMPLAIN.

SHORT WEIGHT AND SUDDEN ADVANCES OF PRICES THEIR GRIEVANCES.

and Said to the Very Poor at from \$9.25 to S11 a Ton, but the Big Dealers Said to Absorb the Profits-Talk of Forming a Union by Which Both the Peddler and

The spectacle of the coal peddlers accusng the dealers of giving short weight and making extertionate charges suggests the parallel of the proverbial kettle calling the

pot black. Poor people in the tenement-house districts who find it difficult to keep a fire in the range this cold weather are indeed more apt to blame the small dealer than the whole. sale man, and to accuse the former of making

the biggest profit. The coal peddler, properly so called, is, of course, an itinerant, but the small storekeepers who have a wooden box or bin on the sidewalk, and sell by the basket or bushel, are included in the category.

It is a business which caters to the wants of the very poorest people, whose necessity of the very poorest people, whose necessity compels them to buy their supplies in small quantities at a time. If the dealers are to be believed, the peddlers' lot is a comparatively easy one. He sells ice and vegetables in the summer time and only goes into the coal business when winter sets in and coal becomes literally a "black diamond." He gets his supply by the half ton or ton from the East and North rivers, where he is allowed 50 cents per ton off the price to private consumers.

The peddler gets 2,000 pounds of coal to the ton, but he does not sell by weight. He uses the beautifully indefinite measure of quantity known as a "bushel basket." is supposed to hold only half a bushel, but it never contains its normal quantity. When the basket is at its biggest and best, it must be filled seventy-five times to get away with a ton of coal, and in most cases it contains only fifteen or twenty pounds.

The usual price to the poor people who buy from the carts is 11 cents per basket or 22 cents per bushel. At these rates the peddler reaps a fair harvest. He can get coal to-day at the yards at from \$5.50 to \$5.75 per ton of 2,000 pounds, which by basket sales yields him from \$8.25 to \$11. A peddler with a fair route can sell an average of two tons daily, so that he has a fair sum left after paying for the hire of his horse and cart and the keep of the snimal.

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Last Month of Pelice Service.

"Why did I ask to be retired yesterday, thirty days before I became sixty years old?" ex-Capt. John M. Robbins said, repeating a question asked this morning. "Well, the answer is a simple one. When a man has spent thirty-three years in the police service and is put in a hole by a subordinate in an effort to screen his own shortefinings it.

down horse, buy a few hundred pounds of coal and enter into competition with the regular peddlers.

Then the peddlers complain that they are not given right weight for their money. Their ton is mostly only 1,800 pounds and when they complain they are told that if they don't like it they can leave it. Indeed, some dealers refuse to sell to peddlers at all. They have to pay cash for their coal before they leave the yard, but after carrying it in baskets to the top floors of high tenement buildings, they often have to give their customers credit till the end of the week and not infrequently incur bad debts.

The burning grievance of the peddlers is, however, that their profits get less and less with every increase in the price made by the coal barons. They complain that the price is raised at an hour's notice, and they can get no more than 25 cents a bushel, even when the price at the yard soars as high as \$7.

The peddlers have recently organized, and have resolved to club together and establish co-operative coal-yards, thus getting their supplies direct from the mines.

The Peddlers' Association promises to adopt a standard measure which it will insist upon all of its members using under penalty of expulsion and boycott.

Thus out of the quarrels between the peddlers and the coal dealers the much-tried consumer may derive ultimate benefit.

If you want a hearty laugh, read Bill Nye's

new operetta, with a critique by Bill, in the Sunday Wobld. Price three cents.

TOO MANY DUNS ANNOYED HIM. Policeman Duncan Gets Angry When Asked

Policeman Duncan, who went to Pittsburg

and assisted Detective Mullarkey to identify and arrest Daniel Lyons, who shot and killed Athlete Quinn, is in trouble. He will go before the Police Commissioners for trial. Duncan is fond of making a good appearance and purchases a new uniform whenever the old one is soiled or wrinkled. The Schlessingers, who make suits for policemen, have had a great deal of trouble in collecting money from Duncan, and last night the policeman became so wroth at being dunned for a set-tlement of his account that he seized the collector by the throat and choked him until

collector by the throat and choked him until he became weak.

Complaint was made at Police Headquar-ters this morning and Duncan was ordered to appear and explain his treatment of a col-lector of the Police Department tailor.

BARD LUCK OF A WIFE. Knocked Down and Kicked While Trying to Get Her Husband Out of a Saloon.

street, entered the liquor saloon at 40 City Hall place, at 11.30 o'clock last night in search of her husband, John J. Callahan, and finding him there indulging in drink, she invited him to come flome.

The bartender. Thomas Connolly, she says,

Mrs. Elizabeth Callahan, of 511 Brooms

resented her interference, knocked her down and kicked her in the stomach. Then, according to her story, Connolly threw her and her husband into the street. Mrs. Callahan was so seriously injured that she was sent in an ambulance to Bellevue Hospital. As she was ambulance to Bellevue Hospital. As she was about to become a mother the assault was the more serious.

Connolly was arrested and locked up in the Elizabeth street police station house, and Callahan was detained as a witness. He left his wife on the street after being ejected from the saloon, but was found any this

rom the saloon, but was found early this morning. Dispensaries for the Poor. The Mutual Medical Aid Association, which was recently organized for the purpose of giving medical aid to the poor of the city, has decided to cal at to the poor of the city, has decided to open thirty-six dispensaries in different parts of the city. The first will be opened at 452 West Forty-first street next week. Any person can become a member of the association by paying a membership fee of 50 cents. By paying in addition a premium of 10 cents a week the member will receive at all times any advice that may be required, together with medicines, free of charge. Visits to patients at their homes will be made at a cost of 25 cents each.

Don't miss THE WORLD to-morrow. The best and most popular paper. Three cents. Fire in Maiden Lane.

A fire occurred at 1 o'clock this morning in the tamaging several establishments which occupie ting. The fire originated in the front ro on the second story, used by James E. Hyde, a broker in drugs, and extended to the rear room and awept up to the third floor, which was used as a carpenter shop by Joha Hayburn. His loss is \$500. A. Carreno, who has a restaurant on the first floor, lost \$1,000 and Mr. Hyde suffered a similar injury. The sotal damage was \$1,000.

The Young Men's Democratic Club.